
**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
August 2, 2007**

MINUTES

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE OF THE ACTUAL MEETING IS AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG'S OFFICE.

The Executive Committee of the Southern California Association of Governments held its meeting at SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles. There was a quorum.

Committee Members Present

Supervisor Gary Ovitt	President
Supervisor Yvonne Burke	Immediate Past President
Councilmember Richard Dixon	1 st Vice President
Councilmember Harry Baldwin	2 nd Vice President
Mayor Ron Loveridge	Chair, Administration
Councilmember Jon Edney	Chair, CEHD
Councilmember Debbie Cook	Chair, EEC
Councilmember Alan Wapner	Chair, TCC

Regional Council Members Present

Councilmember Paul Nowatka

Staff Present

Mark Pisano, Executive Director
Jim Gosnell, Deputy Executive Director
Wayne Moore, Chief Financial Officer
Hasan Ikhrata, Director, Planning & Policy
Keith Killough, Director, Information Services
Joann Africa, Interim Chief Counsel
Colin Lennard, General Counsel
Shelia Stewart, Executive Assistant

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Ovitt.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no comments.

3.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Approval Items

3.1.1 Minutes of July 12, 2007 Meeting and

Motion was made (Baldwin) to approve the minutes. Motion was seconded (Wapner) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3.1.2 Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) Update

Mark Pisano stated that California Air Resources Board delayed action on the South Coast AQMP and the State Strategy for ozone and PM 2.5 attainment. Hasan Ihrata, Director, Planning & Policy, gave a brief update on discussions held at the AQMP workshop held at SCAG offices.

3.1.3 SCAG/Board Consultant for the President/Executive Committee

Several scenarios regarding the selection of a SCAG/Board Consultant were discussed. There was a consensus that the item should be brought back and further discussed at the August 30th meeting.

3.1.4 Merit Pay Program

The merit pay program will be considered at the August 30, 2007 meeting.

3.1.5 Update on Executive Search

Ralph Anderson & Associates were selected to conduct the Executive Search. It was reported that brochures for the Executive Director's position would be presented to the Executive Committee on August 30th. Copies of the brochures will be available for distribution at the League meeting in September, 2007.

3.1.6 Contract Amendment for General Counsel Services

Joann Africa, Interim Chief Counsel, requested that the Executive Committee authorize, on behalf of the Regional Council, a contract amendment to increase the Fulbright & Jaworski contract for Fiscal Year 2006-07 by \$85,000. Ms. Africa noted that the costs were associated to services performed regarding the RHNA, the San Gabriel Valley COG audit arbitration proceedings, the air quality attainment strategy, the OCCOG audit matter, and general assistance to the Legal Department.

She also noted that the Legal Department had no concern regarding the services performed; just that there was insufficient funding in the contract to cover the costs. Finally, she explained that the proposed increase was within last year's budget of the Legal Department.

Motion was made (Baldwin) to approve a contract amendment to increase Fulbright's contract for FY 06-07 by \$85,000. Motion was second (Dixon) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3.1.7 Contract Manual Amendment

Wayne Moore, CFO, stated that President Ovitt requested that a non-competitive procurement be established for training, development and videograph services. Mr. Moore stated that the contract manual should be amended, allowing the President the authority to award contracts up to \$25,000 and amend those contracts up to \$10,000 without competition. He also stated that an updated report would be provided on a regular basis to the Regional Council and Administration Committee.

The recommendation would be presented to the Administration Committee for consideration at the August 30th meeting.

3.1.8 Bottled Water Discussion

The item will be brought back for further discussion at the next meeting.

4.0 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

There was no report.

5.0 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The report of the Executive Director was emailed to the Regional Council. No oral report was presented.

6.0 **CLOSED SESSION**

Colin Lennard, General Counsel, announced that pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Government Code the Executive Committee would enter into closed session. Motion was made (Baldwin) to enter into closed session. Motion was seconded (Dixon) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

- Public Employee Performance Evaluation
(Government §54957) Title: Executive Director

Direction was provided to staff regarding the Performance Evaluation of the Executive Director. No final action taken

- Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation (Significant exposure to litigation)

pursuant to Government Code Section
§54956.9 (b) One potential case

Staff provided the Executive Committee regarding possible anticipated litigation.
No final action taken.

The Executive Committee reconvened at approximately 2:15 p.m.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held on August 30, 2007 at
12:00 noon at SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles.

Mark Pisano, Executive Director